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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS & YOUTH SERVICES
(SPORTS & YOUTH SERVICES BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 4th December, 2023

No. SYWD-SPRT08/299/2022-2SS/735665.–Whereas, the use of Adhaar as an identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner by obviating the need to produce multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And whereas, the Department of Sports & Youth Services, Punjab (hereinafter referred to as the Department), is administering the Cash Award Scheme, Olympian Sardar Balbir Singh (Sr.) Scholarship for Outstanding and Budding Sports Persons, Preparation money to Sports Persons selected for various International Sports competitions and Pension to Veteran Players (hereinafter referred to as the Schemes) to the players of the State of Punjab (hereinafter referred to as the State), which is being implemented through the Directorate of Sports Punjab and Punjab State Council for Sports offices (hereinafter referred to as the Implementing Agency);

And whereas, under the Schemes respectively, A cash incentive is provided to the players of the State who won medals in State, National and International Competitions, Scholarship is given to the players of the State who won medals at Junior and Senior National Level, Preparation money to Sports Persons of the State who are selected for various International Sports Competitions and Pension to Sportspersons of the State who have won Gold, Silver and Bronze in Olympic Games, World Cup/ World Championships, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games and attained the age of 40 year (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries), by the Implementing Agency as per the extant Scheme guidelines;

And whereas, the aforesaid Schemes involves recurring expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of Punjab;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 7 of the Adhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (Central Act No.18 of 2016) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Government of Punjab hereby notifies the following, namely:-

1. (1) An individual eligible for receiving the benefits under the Schemes shall hereby be required to furnish proof of possession of the Adhaar number or undergo Adhaar authentication.

(2) Any individual desirous of availing benefits under the Schemes, who does not possess the Adhaar number or, has not yet enrolled for Adhaar, shall be required to make application for Adhaar enrolment before registering for the Schemes provided that he is entitled to obtain Adhaar as per section 3 of the said Act, and such individuals shall visit any Adhaar enrolment centre (list available at www.uidai.gov.in) to get enrolled for Adhaar.

(3) As per regulation 12 of the Adhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations,2016, the Department through its Implementing Agency, is required to offer Adhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Adhaar and incase there is no Adhaar enrolment centre located in the respective Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall provide Adhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming a UIDAI Registrar themselves:

Provided that till the time Adhaar is assigned to the individual, benefits under the Schemes shall be given to such individual, subject to the production of the following documents, namely:–

(a) if he has enrolled, his Adhaar Enrolment Identification slip; and

(b) any one of the following documents, namely:-

(i) Bank or Post-Office Passbook with photo; or

(ii) Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card; or

(iii) Passport; or

(iv) Ration Card; or

(v) Voter Identity Card; or

(vi) MGNREGA Card; or

(vii) Kisan Photo Passbook ; or

(viii) Driving License issued by the Licensing Authority under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988; or

(ix) Certificate of Identity having photo of such person issued by a Gazetted Officer or a Tehsildar on an official letter head; or

(x) any other document as specified by the Department:

Provided further that the above documents may be checked by an officer specifically designated by the Department for that purpose.

2. In order to provide benefits to the beneficiaries under the Schemes conveniently, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make all the required arrangements to ensure that wide publicity through the media shall be given to the beneficiaries to make them aware of the said requirement.

3. In all cases, where Adhaar authentication fails due to poor biometrics of the beneficiaries or due to any other reason, the following remedial mechanism shall be adopted, namely:-

(a) In case of poor finger print quality, iris scan or face authentication facility shall be adopted for authentication ,there by the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make provisions for iris scanners or face authentication along with finger-print authentication for delivery of benefits in seamless manner;

(b) In case the biometric authentication through fingerprints or iris scan or face authentication is not successful, wherever feasible and admissible authentication by Adhaar One Time Password or Time-based One Time Password with limited time validity, as the case may be, shall be offered;

(c) In all other cases, where biometric or Adhaar One Time Password or Time based One Time.

Password authentication is not possible, the benefits under the Scheme may be given on the basis of physical Adhaar letter whose authenticity can be verified through the Quick Response Code printed on the Adhaar letter and the necessary arrangement of Quick Response Code reader shall be provided at the convenient locations by the Department through its Implementing Agency.

4. In addition to the above, in order to ensure that no bona fide beneficiary under the Schemes is deprived of his due benefits, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall follow the exception handling mechanism as outlined in the Office Memorandum of Direct Benefit Transfer Mission, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India dated the19th December 2017.

5. This notification shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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